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| Filing Date | December 14, 2000 |
| First Named Inventor | Werner Obrecht |
| Art Unit | 1711 |
| Examiner Name | Rabon A. Sergent |
| Attorney Docket Number | Mo-5842/LeA 34,092 |

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| SERIAL NUMBER: 09/739,034 |) | EXAMINER: R. SERGENT |
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| FILED: DECEMBER 14, 2000 |) | |
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| TITLE: RUBBER MIXTURES BASED ON |) | |
| UNCROSSLINKED RUBBERS AND |) | |
| CROSSLINKED RUBBER PARTICLES) |) | |
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on June 16, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on September 16, 2004. The Examiner's rejections have been carefully considered, and in view of the accompanying remarks and a Request for Continued Examination, reconsideration and early allowance of Claims 1, 2, 4-10, 15 and 20-21 is courteously requested. A separate Petition for Extension of Time is being simultaneously herewith.

Kindly amend the application as follows:

Amendment to the Claims: a listing of claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks and Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

Appendix: None.

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